

# 01-130 Department of Veterans Affairs

The mission of the Department of Veterans Affairs is to aid all residents of the State of Louisiana who served in the military forces of the United States during any war, combat, campaign, or any special periods of service during peacetime, along with their dependents and beneficiaries, to receive any and all benefits to which they may be entitled under the laws of the United States or the states thereof.

The goal of the Department of Veterans Affairs is to ensure that Louisiana's veterans, dependents, or survivors of veterans receive all benefits, and the best available services which they are entitled.

## BUDGET SUMMARY

	ACTUAL 1998-1999	ACT 10 1999- 2000	EXISTING 1999- 2000	CONTINUATION 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED 2000 - 2001	RECOMMENDED OVER/(UNDER) EXISTING
MEANS OF FINANCING:						
STATE GENERAL FUND (Direct)	\$2,413,787	\$2,754,371	\$2,754,371	\$2,904,983	\$2,854,188	\$99,817
STATE GENERAL FUND BY:						
Interagency Transfers	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	435,301	467,588	467,588	499,525	474,227	6,639
Statutory Dedications	0	0	0	0	0	0
Interim Emergency Board	0	0	0	0	0	0
FEDERAL FUNDS	0	207,940	207,940	208,095	207,800	(140)
<b>TOTAL MEANS OF FINANCING</b>	<b>\$2,849,088</b>	<b>\$3,429,899</b>	<b>\$3,429,899</b>	<b>\$3,612,603</b>	<b>\$3,536,215</b>	<b>\$106,316</b>
EXPENDITURES & REQUEST:						
Administrative	\$836,097	\$1,009,752	\$1,009,752	\$1,051,724	\$1,071,214	\$61,462
Claims	278,355	341,856	341,856	354,686	361,716	19,860
Contact Assistance	1,734,636	1,870,351	1,870,351	1,998,098	1,895,485	25,134
State Approval Agency Program	0	207,940	207,940	208,095	207,800	(140)
<b>TOTAL EXPENDITURES AND REQUEST</b>	<b>\$2,849,088</b>	<b>\$3,429,899</b>	<b>\$3,429,899</b>	<b>\$3,612,603</b>	<b>\$3,536,215</b>	<b>\$106,316</b>
AUTHORIZED FULL-TIME						
EQUIVALENTS: Classified	77	80	80	80	79	(1)
Unclassified	1	1	1	1	1	0
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>78</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>81</b>	<b>80</b>	<b>(1)</b>

This agency's recommended appropriation does not include any funds for short-term debt.

In addition to the above recommended appropriation, \$215,763 will be paid in Fiscal Year 2000-2001 for long-term debt incurred on behalf of this agency from the previous sale of bonds. Total long-term debt service payments for the state for Fiscal Year 2000-2001 are reflected in the Governor's Executive Budget Supporting Document in Non-Appropriated Requirements, Schedule 22-922.

This agency's recommended appropriation also includes the following amount by means of financing for payments on the unfunded accrued liability of the Louisiana State Employees' Retirement System in accordance with the provisions of Article X, Section 29 of the Constitution of Louisiana:

State General Fund (Direct)	\$121,268
Fees & Self-gen. Revenues	40,423
Total	\$161,691